

What is claimed is:

1. A method for management and configuration of remote agents, comprising:
providing at least one web service; and
5 performing at least one of managing and configuring at least one remote agent based
on at least one web service.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein a at least one remote agent comprises a web
service based management interface, wherein the web service based management interface
10 allows a manager to remotely examine and configure at least one remote agent.

3. The method of claim 2 wherein the manager remotely examines and configures at
least one remote agent through a central management console.

15 4. The method of claim 1, wherein at least one remote agent is configured to run
across a firewall, a proxy server, and/or a virtual private network.

5. A system for management and configuration of remote agents, comprising:
at least one remote agent; and
20 a manager for performing at least one of managing and configuring at least one
remote agent based on at least one web service.

6. The system of claim 5, wherein a at least one remote agent comprises a web

service based management interface, wherein the web service based management interface allows a manager to remotely examine and configure at least one remote agent.

7. The system of claim 6, wherein the manager remotely examines and configures at
5 least one remote agent through a central management console.

8. The system of claim 5, wherein at least one remote agent is configured to run across a firewall, a proxy server, and/or a virtual private network.

10 9. A computer readable storage medium including computer executable code for management and configuration of remote agents, comprising:

code for providing at least one web service; and

code for performing at least one of managing and configuring at least one remote agent based on at least one web service.

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10. The computer readable storage medium of claim 9, wherein a at least one remote agent comprises a web service based management interface, wherein the web service based management interface allows a manager to remotely examine and configure at least one remote agent.

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11. The computer readable storage medium of claim 10, wherein the manager remotely examines and configures at least one remote agent through a central management console.

12. The computer readable storage medium of claim 9, wherein at least one remote agent is configured to run across a firewall, a proxy server, and/or a virtual private network.